7. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving user system status information, and wherein sending the processed user voice input to a server over a network sends the user system status information with the processed user voice input based on transmission requirements.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein sending the processed user voice input to a server over a network includes sending the user system status information and the processed user voice input in interspersed distinct transmission packets.

9. (Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein sending the processed user voice input to a server over a network sends only the user system status information when no user voice is received.

11. (Amended) A voice communication method comprising:

   receiving user voice input at a user system;

   processing the received user voice input at the user system based on two or more of

   noise cancellation, echo-cancellation or end-pointing;

   sending the processed user voice input to a server over a network;

   performing speech recognition processing of the sent front-end processed user voice

   input at the server; and

   performing a function at the server based on the performed speech recognition

   processing.

13. (Amended) A voice communication system comprising:

   a user system comprising:

      a microphone configured to receive user voice input;

      a processor configured to process the received user voice input based on two

      or more of noise cancellation, echo-cancellation or end-pointing; and

a communication component configured to send the processed user voice input to a destination over a network; and

a server system coupled to the network, the server comprising:

a communication component configured to receive the sent processed user voice input; and

a processor configured to perform speech recognition processing of the sent processed user voice input.

18. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the processor of the server comprises a component configured to perform a function based on the performed speech recognition processing.

24. (Amended) A voice communication system comprising:

a means for receiving user voice input at a user system;

a means for processing the received user voice input at the user system based on two or more of noise cancellation, echo-cancellation or end-pointing;

a means for sending the processed user voice input to a server over a network; and

a means for performing speech recognition processing of the sent processed user voice input at the server.

27. (Amended) The system of Claim 24, wherein the means for processing the received user voice input comprises a means for sampling the received user voice input.

29. (Amended) The system of Claim 24, further comprising a means for performing a function at the server based on the performed speech recognition processing.

30. (Amended) The system of Claim 24, further comprising a means for receiving user system status information, and wherein the means for sending the processed user voice input to a

server over a network sends the user system status information with the processed user voice input based on transmission requirements.

31.   (Amended) The system of claim 30, wherein the user system status information and the processed user voice input are sent in interspersed distinct transmission packets.

32.   (Amended) The system of claim 30, wherein the means for sending the processed user voice input to a server over a network sends only the user system status information when no user voice is input at the means for receiving.